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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6543 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 19, 2013

BILL NUMBER: SB 205 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Regional Sewer Districts.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Leising BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill requires that the board of trustees of a regional sewer district must be elected. It provides for the transition from an appointed to an elected board.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill will increase expenditures for the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). Currently, IDEM only oversees the election of board members in three districts. This bill would expand these duties to all 103 regional sewer district board elections. It is estimated that expenses for IDEM could be about \$160,000.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: County election officials would need to add the names of the trustee members to the ballot. There would be a minimal increase in ballot printing costs in counties with optical scan voting systems. Counties with direct recording electronic voting systems would be able to input the office into the system without additional expense.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Department of Environmental Management.

Local Agencies Affected: Counties; regional sewer districts.

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